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Mr. William F. Caton, Acting Secretary **Federal Communications Commission** 1919 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20554

RE:

MM Docket No. 94-101

RM-8510

FM Table of Allotments Kerman, California

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith, on behalf of EBE Communications Limited Partnership, is an originally executed copy of the Statement of William F. Hammett, Consulting Engineer, to be associated with its **COMMENTS AND** COUNTERPROPOSAL filed on November 14, 1994, in the above-referenced rulemaking proceeding.

Should further information be desired, kindly communicate directly with this office.

Very truly yours,

Melodie A. Virtue

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Statement of William F. Hammett, Consulting Engineer OFFICE OF SCREENING

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION The firm of Hammett & Edison, Inc., Consulting Engineers, has been retained by EBE Communications, L.P., licensee of FM Station KNAX, Channel 250B, Fresno, California, to prepare this Engineering Exhibit in support of a petition to allot Channel 237A at Kerman, California.

Background

FM Station KNAX has served Fresno, California, and the surrounding communities since 1948. In 1989, the station was required to vacate its long-time site on top of the Fresno Bee building in downtown Fresno and chose at that time to relocate the transmitting facilities to the Meadow Lakes antenna farm, 49 kilometers northeast of Fresno. From that location, service into Fresno has proved to be marginal, and KNAX seeks to relocate again to a site closer to the city of license. The recent proposal to add Channel 252A to Kerman, California, was made possible by the move of KNAX to a location so far from Fresno, and that allotment of Channel 252A to Kerman would effectively preclude KNAX from ever regaining its lost service.

Proposed Conditions

Therefore, Channel 237A has been identified as an alternate channel for serving the community of Kerman. A site restriction of 11 kilometers west-southwest would be required, in order to protect existing allotments; however, this does not prevent such a new station from serving Kerman, as the principal community contour for Class A stations extends a distance of 16 kilometers. The proposed reference coordinates for the Channel 237A allotment at Kerman are 36° 41' 00" N 120° 10' 48" W (NAD27), at which location the spacing requirements in §73.207 of the FCC Rules are met to all existing stations, permits, allotments, and proposals, as shown below:

Channel	Nearest Station	FCC Required Distance	Distance from Proposal
234A	Vacant, Firebaugh, CA	31 kilometers	31 kilometers
235B	KBOS-FM, Tulare, CA	69	111
236B	KDJK, Oakdale, CA	113	127
237B1	KLLY, Oildale, CA	143	171
238A	KBOQ, Carmel, CA	72	145
239B	KJFX, Fresno, CA	69	69
240A	KNTO, Livingston, CA	31	85
290B	KKDJ, Fresno, CA	15	80
291A	Proposal, San Lucas, CA	10	97

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Conclusion

The counterproposal to allot Channel 237A to Kerman, California, as its second local aural service will allow the needs of that community to be fully met while also allowing FM Station KNAX to better serve Fresno, its city of license.



William F. Hammett, P.E.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of November, 1994





FM Station KNAX • 97.9 MHz, Channel 250B • Fresno, California

Comparative Coverage: Owens Mountain vs. Meadow Lakes

Owens Mountain (KSXY site)

Database: 1990 census, rev. 920714

Coordinates: N. Lat. 36 55 48 W. Long. 119 38 27

State County	70 đBu	60 dBu
California		
Fresno County	526,279	622,496
Kings County		965
Madera County	25,255	74,158
Mariposa County		79
Merced County		39
Tulare County		34,599
	551,534	732,336
	+2678	+98
Area covered, km^2	3,432	8,606
	+88	+78

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Meadow Lakes (existing site)

Database: 1990 census, rev. 920714

Coordinates: N. Lat. 37 04 29 W. Long. 119 25 52

State County	70 dBu	60 dBu
California		
Fresno County Kings County	132,123	590,203
Madera County	18,264	73,003
Mariposa County		4,429
Merced County		12
Tulare County		5,778
	150,387	673,425
Area covered, km^2	3,178	8,062

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an employee of Haley, Bader & Potts, hereby certifies that the foregoing document was mailed this date by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or was hand-delivered to the following:

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